

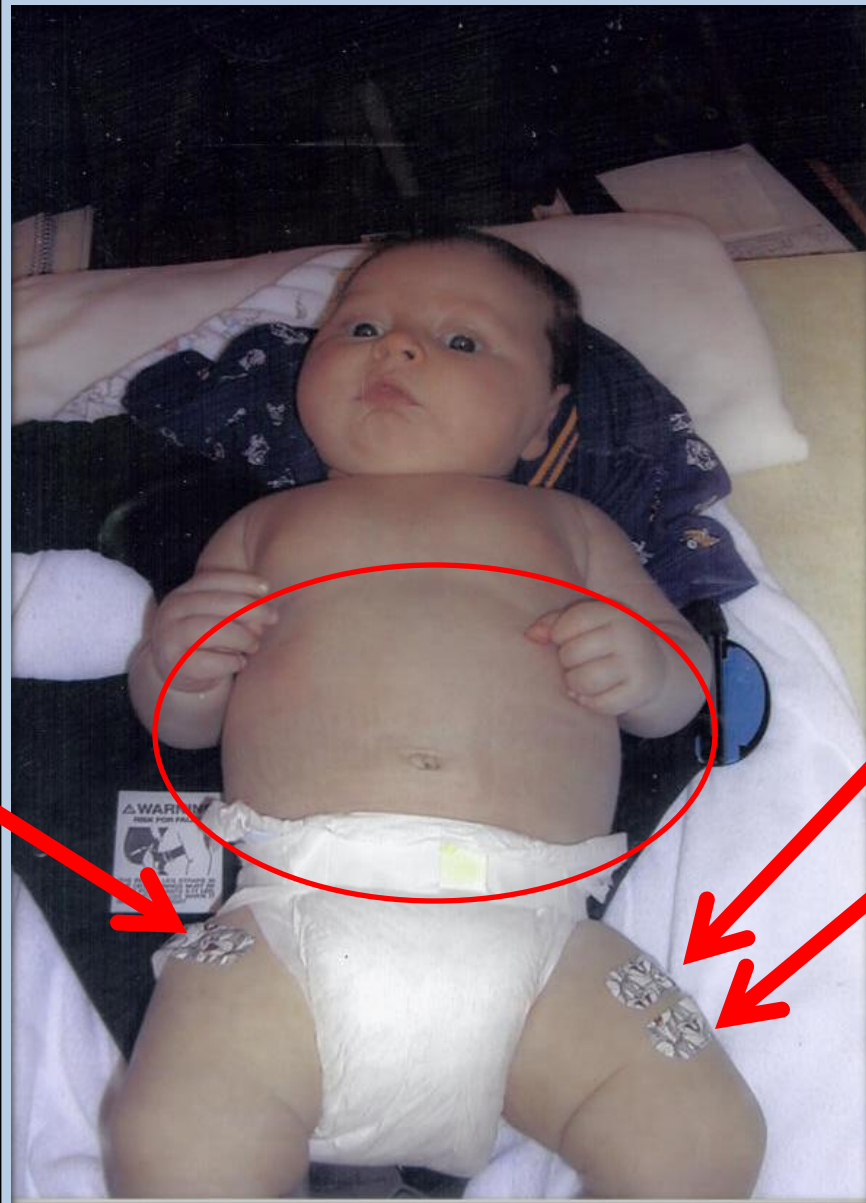
HELLO

In the beginning...



Tate

DOB 9/15/04 ~ 9 lbs 13 oz.



# Anti Jenny McCarthy - Why?





Providence Hospital PICU  
10/23/09



5 days in the PICU

4 agonizing, sleepless nights for parents

3 physicians rounding

*PICU Intensivist, Pediatrician, Pediatric Neurologist*

2 kinds of pneumonia

1 lumbar puncture

*And a partridge in a pear tree*





Another ER visit & re-admission

9 Additional in-patient days

2 Additional Chest X-rays

2<sup>nd</sup> Lumbar Puncture

NG Tube Placement

Morphine Pump

Cervical MRI

Brain MRI

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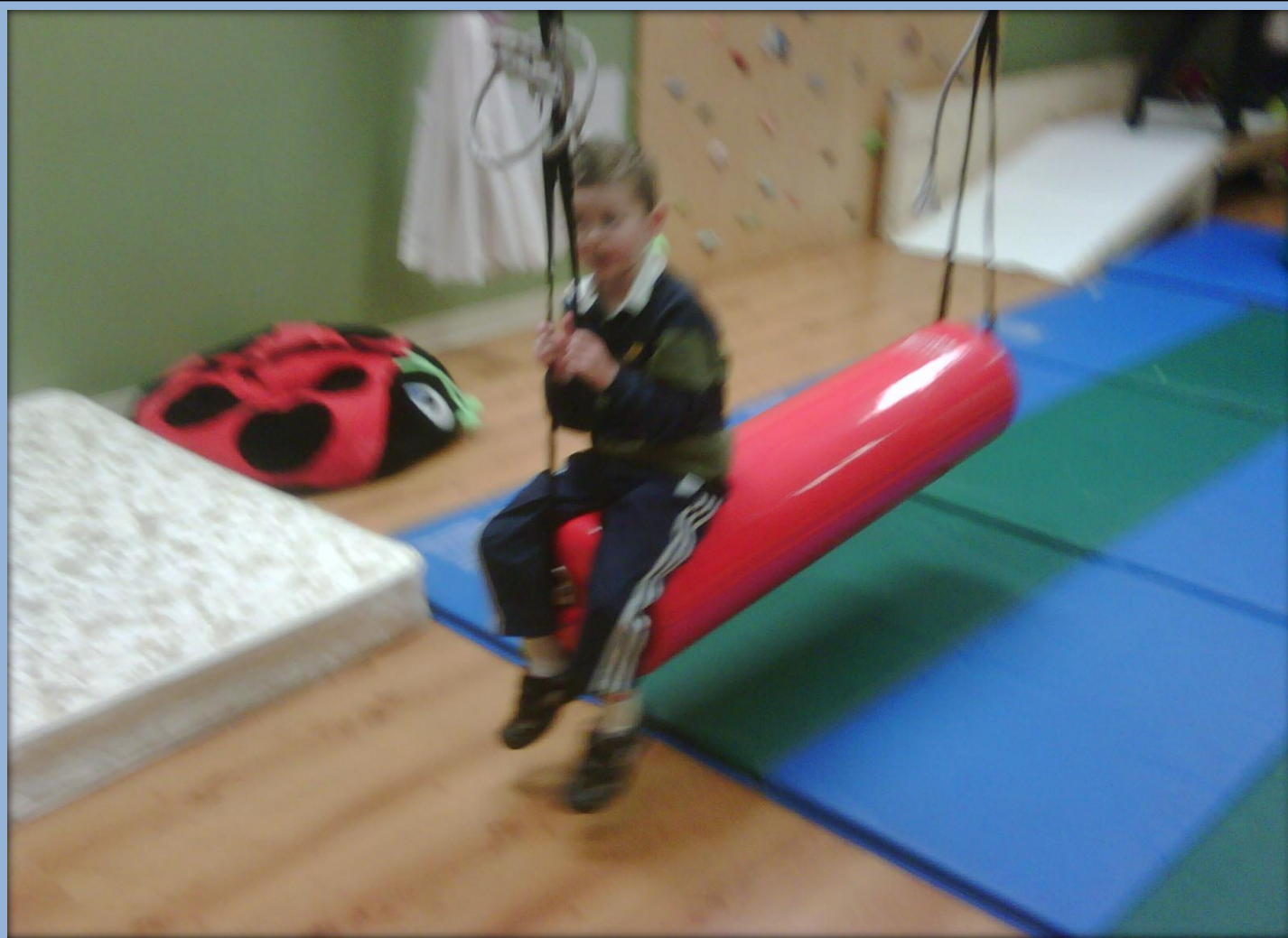
























# The decision is a no-brainer:



VS.

\$120k+ in hospital & MD charges

\$15k+ in lost wages

\$25k+ in rehab & follow up charges

Insurance nightmares

Family dysfunction

Struggling to accommodate a special needs child in a non-SN accessible city

Watching your child suffer, and being absolutely powerless to do anything about it

# **Officials confirm Fairbanks boy died of swine flu -**

**H1N1: Ten-year old was healthy before illness; his death is second in state.**

***Anchorage Daily News, Sept. 6, 2009***